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PURCHASES FROM HOSPITAL FUNDS

1. It is desired that emphasis be given to the development of adequate recreational facilities for patients in all hospitals. Commanding Officers are reminded that money accruing to the Hospital Fund is authorized for this purpose in C-4, AR 40-590, 31 August 1945 and W.D. Circular No. 289, 22 September 1945. Furthermore, every attempt should be made to use this fund for subsistence and augmentation of recreational facilities for use of patients currently in hospitals.

2. Should the financial status of any Hospital Fund not warrant expenditures needed, to further the purpose of the fund, application for grant should be made to the Chief Surgeon, AFPAC. If the need is urgent, radio communication is authorized.

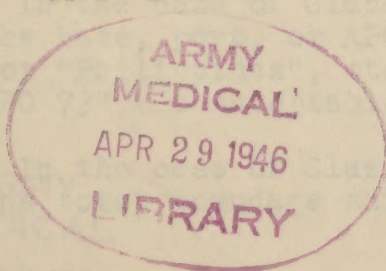
3. It is suggested that consideration be given to the establishment of centrally located recreational huts, decorated with bright colors and draperies, with easy chairs, writing tables, lamps, grass rugs, etc. Reading and writing materials should be made available, snack bars and soda fountains should be set up where ice cream, soft drinks and other refreshments can be served periodically and when possible, without charge.

4. Where the furnishing of huts does not entirely accomplish the purpose of providing necessary increases in recreational facilities, attention should be given to the possibility of furnishing porches on wards with small lounges.

5. All wards and mess halls should be made as attractive as possible through the medium of purchases out of the fund for draperies and decorative aids.

6. It is not intended that the fund should be used for purchases of items available from Special Services, the American Red Cross, or by requisitions thru regular supply channels. On the contrary, expenditures from the Hospital Fund should supplement these services and supplies. If items regularly furnished through the above sources are not immediately available and are urgently needed, the Hospital Fund may be used provided a certification is obtained from the supplying source to that effect.

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PURCHASES FROM 1946

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1. It is desired that emphasis be given to the development of adequate recreational facilities for patients in all units. Commanding Officers are requested that money according to the Hospital Fund be authorized for this purpose in G-4, M-10-290, 31 August 1945 and M-10-290, 12 September 1945. Furthermore, every attempt should be made to use this fund for subsistence and augmentation of recreational facilities for use of patients currently in hospitals.

2. Should the financial status of any hospital fund not warrant expenditures needed, to further the purpose of the fund, application for grant should be made to the Chief Surgeon, AFMPC. If the need is urgent, radio communication is authorized.

3. It is suggested that consideration be given to the establishment of centrally located recreational units, decorated with bright colors and banners, with easy chairs, writing tables, lamps, glassware, etc. Reading and writing materials should be made available, snack bars and soda fountains should be set up where the stream, art objects and other refreshments can be served periodically and when possible, without charge.

4. Where the furnishing of units does not entirely accomplish the purpose of providing necessary increases in recreational facilities, attention should be given to the possibility of furnishing portions on units with small lounges.

5. All units and mess halls should be made as attractive as possible through the medium of purchases out of the fund for decorative and decorative objects.

6. It is not intended that the fund should be used for purchases of items available from Special Services, the American Red Cross, or by regulations. On the contrary, expenditures from the Hospital Fund should supplement these services and supplies. If items regularly furnished through the above sources are not immediately available and are urgently needed, the Hospital Fund may be used provided a certification is obtained from the supplying source to that effect.

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